

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 99

**WHEREAS**, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize the Brown Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church of Houston, Texas, on the grand occasion of its 130th anniversary, which is being celebrated August 14, 2011; and

**WHEREAS**, Over the last 130 years, the Brown Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church has ministered faithfully to the needs of the citizens of Houston, and due to the guidance and wise stewardship of its current pastor, Reverend Dr. Ruben Braziel, the church has undertaken many worthy projects in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, The church was organized during a meeting that took place on July 10, 1881; it was planned with the intention of serving the West End and Chaneyville communities, which later became the Sixth Ward; the church was named in honor of its first pastor, Reverend Louis Brown; and

**WHEREAS**, Throughout its history, the church has served as an invaluable source of strength to its members during their hardships and in difficult times; and

**WHEREAS**, The observance of the church's 130th anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate its contributions to area citizens and to show appreciation for the support and inspiration it provides the community; now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 82nd Legislature, 1st Called Session, hereby extend best wishes to the clergy and members of Brown Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church on the joyous occasion of its 130th anniversary; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for the church in honor of this special occasion.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on June 24, 2011.

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Secretary of the Senate

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Member, Texas Senate